

Ould Daddah holds Rabat talks

RABAT, May 26 (R). — Mauritanian President Mokhtar Ould Daddah left Morocco today for home after talks yesterday with King Hassan, the official news agency said. The two leaders are thought to have discussed their conflict with the Algerian-backed Polisario Front which seeks independence for the Western Sahara from Morocco and Mauritania. The Mauritanian president stopped over in Morocco on his way back from the French-African summit in Paris.

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Eritreans offer new peace plan

BEIRUT, May 26 (AP). — An Eritrean rebel leader today proposed a three-point programme to negotiate peace with King Hassan's Ethiopian regime of Colonel Mengistu Haile Mariam.

Ayasse Afwaki, leader of the Eritrean People's Liberation Front (EPLF), told the independent Beirut newspaper Al Nahar that one of the conditions was for Ethiopia to "extract its offer of self-rule or Eritrea instead of the full independence sought by Eritreans."

"The Ethiopian ruling military council should recognize the right of the Eritrean people to self-determination," said Afwaki. "The Ethiopian council must not assume the right to decide the destiny of Eritrea."

The EPLF is one of the two major guerrilla groups in Egypt to act against its journalists

CAIRO, May 26 (AP). — Egypt's state prosecutor is preparing charges against some 10 Egyptian journalists and writers abroad who have written or broadcast articles "detrimental to Egypt's national interests," the press reported today.

The prosecutor, acting under restrictive measures approved in a national referendum Sunday, will announce the charges after investigating articles and recordings of broadcasts submitted to him by the state security services, the reports in the state-controlled press said.

The charges will be submitted to Egypt's parliament, which is to pass laws based on six-proposals submitted by President Anwar Sadat and approved by 98.2 per cent of the voters.

One of the items bars journalists who write or broadcast stories that may endanger national unity or denigrate the achievements of the state or in participating in political life or political parties.

However, what exactly would constitute a breach of these measures has not been spelled out yet.

World News Roundup...

Fukuda to visit Mideast states

TOKYO, May 26 (R). — Japanese Prime Minister Takeo Fukuda intends to visit Egypt and other Middle East countries next September in the first tour of the area by a Japanese premier, informed sources said today. The sources quoted him as telling a senior member of his ruling Liberal Democratic Party today that he hoped to visit Saudi Arabia, Kuwait and Iran.

Entebbe bomb caused McKenzie death

NAIROBI, May 26 (R). — The government said today a plane crash which killed one of Kenya's leading whites on Wednesday was caused by a bomb planted in the aircraft at Uganda's Entebbe airport. Bruce McKenzie, a former minister, and all three others aboard the twin-engine light plane died in the crash on Wednesday. The plane came down near Nairobi towards the end of a flight from Uganda. Witnesses said an explosion preceded the crash.

PLO rejects Young's remarks

BEIRUT, May 26 (AP). — The Palestine Liberation Organisation said last night that its chairman, Mr. Yasser Arafat, enjoys more popularity among his people than any elected president in the Western world "including U.S. President Jimmy Carter." The Palestinian statement was in reply to recent remarks attributed to U.S. ambassador to the United Nations Andrew Young that the U.S. administration was not sure Arafat and the PLO represent the legitimate people. "Young's statement is an open interference in internal affairs of the Palestinian revolution," the Palestinian spokesman said.

U.S. trade deficit worsens

WASHINGTON, May 26 (R). — America's trade deficit with the rest of the world increased slightly last month to \$2.9 billion from \$2.8 billion in March, the government said today. Exports of U.S. goods rose to \$11.6 billion, a 6.6 per cent increase from March but this was offset by a 5.8 per cent increase in imports, which rose to \$14.5 billion. The Commerce Department said that in the last four months of 1978, the world trade account showed a deficit of more than \$12.5 billion compared with a \$7.5 billion shortfall during the same period last year.

Iraqi Communists reported killed

BEIRUT, May 26 (R). — A Lebanese news digest reported today that at least 14 members of the Iraqi Communist Party have been executed in Iraq in the past month. The Middle East Reporter, quoting telegrams from Baghdad, said many party members had been arrested in the biggest drive against Communists since the newest regime came to power ten years ago. The report followed officials of the Communist Party in a government-controlled newspaper in Baghdad.

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Queen Elizabeth of Great Britain rides in an open carriage during an inspection tour of British forces in West Berlin earlier this week. She is on an official visit to West Germany. (AP wirephoto)

Jordan, Poland call for wideranging increase in bilateral cooperation

VIENNA, May 26 (JNA).

His Royal Highness Crown Prince Hassan arrived here today from Poland, where a joint communique issued in Warsaw after his four-day official visit there said all available opportunities should be seized to increase bilateral cooperation between Jordan and Poland in the economic, technical, trade-cultural and scientific fields.

Poland and Jordan condemned Israel's "expansionist and aggressive" policies and its invasion of south Lebanon, and said that a Middle East peace settlement has to be based on a full Israeli withdrawal from occupied Arab lands, along with the recognition of the Palestinian people's national rights. This must include their right to set up their own state, in such a way

that a peace settlement also guarantees the security and independence of all states in the area, the communiqué stated.

Prince Hassan today met with the Chairman of Poland's Council of State, Mr. Henryk Jablonski, and he invited Mr. Jablonski and his deputy to visit Jordan. The invitations were accepted, the communiqué said.

Prince Hassan and Princess Sarwath visited the port city of Gdansk on Thursday, and Prince Hassan also had a meeting with Arab ambassadors in Warsaw.

Prince Hassan's visit was the highest level contact between Poland and Jordan since diplomatic relations were established in 1964.

The Crown Prince is in Austria for a two-day visit at the invitation of Austrian Chancellor Bruno Kreisky.

Mobutu sets up free-fire zone in Shaba Province

PARIS, May 26 (AP).

President Mobutu Sese Seko of Zaire has ordered his troops to clear civilians from a 65-mile stretch of Shaba Province and create a free-fire zone to block further infiltration of rebels from bases in Angola.

After Thursday's announcement by the French Defence Ministry that it was withdrawing troops from southern Zaire, Mobutu told a news conference he was evacuating the area along Zaire's border with Zambia and Angola and ordering his forces to "shoot at anything that moves with the area."

The Defence Ministry said all of the 600 paratroopers dropped into the copper-mining city of Kolwezi last week had begun their withdrawal to the provincial capital of Lubumbashi prior to their return to France.

Zairian troops, aided by a contingent of 100 Moroccans, will take over responsibility for security in the area, the ministry said.

Mobutu, in Paris to discuss defence measures for Zaire, said at the news conference he was not informed in advance of the French withdrawal.

but he avoided criticism of French President Valery Giscard d'Estaing.

The president did not say whether he had asked the French to remain in Zaire.

Despite contrary assertions to the contrary by Mobutu, a spokesman for the French Defence Ministry said there was "absolutely no evidence" of the presence of Cubans on Zaire territory. He said the invaders, an estimated 4,000 troops probably were trained by Cubans in Angola.

Mobutu said intelligence information indicated that a group of exiled opponents of his government living in Belgium, Zaire's former colonial ruler, had travelled to Havana to work out final details of the invasion.

U.S. President Carter, speaking to reporters in Chicago on Thursday, said the invasion was mounted in Angola and was aided by the Cubans. Cuba has denied involvement.

Cuba and Angola "must bear a heavy responsibility" for the violence and killing in Zaire, Carter said.

The president also said American participation in the effort to rescue foreigners from southern Zaire was nearly complete and U.S. transport planes

were used in the operation would return to their bases soon.

Meanwhile, Nathaniel Mbumba, chief of the rebel force that invaded southern Zaire, says his attack created an "irreversible situation" that will grow and topple President Mobutu.

Mbumba, in a copyrighted interview in the Paris-based magazine Afrique-Asie, claimed his forces had been in Shaba Province all along, since their first attack in March 1977 was halted with the help of Moroccan soldiers transported in French planes.

"We had hidden in our jungle bases to prepare for the action that took place in the last few days," he added.

Mbumba disputed Western reports that the rebel forces of his Congo National Liberation Front were trained by Cubans at bases in Angola. Only "Congolese instructors" were involved, he said. The Congo is the former name of Zaire.

"The spectre of Soviet-Cuban penetration is only a subterfuge to provide alibi for intervention by Western powers," he added. "What has just happened has created an irreversible situation that will develop until Mobutu's fall."

The Soviet foreign minister, who is attending the United Nations special session on disarmament, conferred yesterday with Secretary of State Cyrus Vance in New York and was going to Washington later today for more discussions with him.

At a press conference in Chicago yesterday, the president denounced what he called Cuba's key role in training and equipping Katangese rebels that invaded Zaire's southern Shaba Province from Angola last week.

He also said Soviet human rights abuses and involvements in Africa could bring about a climate of public opinion that would jeopardise U.S. Senate ratification of a new SALT treaty.

The president today gave a fresh assurance that the United States while improving relations with "moderate" Arab states, would never weaken its commitment to Israel's security.

He spoke about Israel when one legislator told him that his Jewish constituents feared the sale of American warplanes to Saudi Arabia and Egypt which the U.S. senate approved on May 15 threatened Israel.

Mr. Carter said: "The special relationship between the United States and Israel still stands."

PFLP TO CONTINUE LEBANESE FIGHTING

BEIRUT, May 26 (R). — A radical Palestinian organisation said last night it would continue, together with its leftist Lebanese allies, to fight Israeli occupation forces in south Lebanon.

The Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine (PFLP) said through its official spokesman, Bassam Abu Sharif, it would not consider itself bound by any pledge given by any party to stop the fighting.

A delegation led by Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) leader Yasser Arafat Wednesday night conferred with Lebanese Prime Minister Selim Al Hoss, and a Palestinian official said later the PLO had expressed its concern to facilitate the task of U.N. forces in overseeing the withdrawal of Israeli troops from south Lebanon.

The Popular Front for the

Chinese-Viet relations cool

PEKING, May 26 (R). — China has withdrawn technicians from some projects in Vietnam, East European sources said today, following a sharp deterioration in relations between the communist neighbours. But there was no suggestion of a complete cut in China's aid to Hanoi and informed diplomatic sources said Vietnamese Vice Foreign Minister Phan Bien was in Peking. Cool relations between the two countries deteriorated further after China on Wednesday accused Vietnam of mistreating Chinese residents, killing some and expelling many thousands.

USSR demands total ban on production of neutron bombs

UNITED NATIONS, May 26, (R). — The Soviet Union today demanded a total ban on the neutron bomb, which it said the United States planned to produce and deploy in Europe.

Addressing the U.N. General Assembly at its special session on disarmament, Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko also asserted that next weeks NATO summit conference in Washington was to prepare a new military buildup into the 1980s.

"What happened in the case of atomic and then thermonuclear weapons bears that out. We are in principle against adding a new dimension to the arms race."

The Soviet Union did not intend to begin producing neutron weapons unless the U.S. or any other state did so, Mr. Gromyko said.

"Neutron weapons must be banned once and for all," he said.

Mr. Gromyko advised using what he called the present favourable conditions for promoting disarmament accords. "The reality of the present sit-

uation is such that there exists approximate equality or parity in the military field, sufficient to ensure defence, something that is recognised by both sides," he said.

Referring to the negotiations between the U.S. and the Soviet Union on strategic arms limitation -- the so-called SALT talks -- the Soviet minister said many of the difficulties had been overcome and it was possible to resolve the remaining issues.

"Immediately after signing the agreement which is now being prepared, the Soviet Union would be ready to enter into negotiations which should lead -- with all the necessary factors taken into account -- to a substantial reduction, I repeat, reduction, of the levels of strategic arms and to a further limitation of their qualitative improvement," he said.

Carter, Gromyko to meet for talks

SPRINGFIELD, Illinois, May 26 (R) — President Carter announced today that he would confer in Washington tomorrow with Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko on world issues and Soviet-American relations.

Mr. Carter, answering questions from members of the Illinois state legislature after addressing them in a joint session here, did not specify what topics he and Mr. Gromyko would discuss.

But White House officials said they expected the talks would cover U.S.-Soviet negotiations on a new Strategic Arms Limitation (SALT) agreement as well as the president's concern over Soviet and Cuban military activities in Africa.

"It is not easy to negotiate with the Russians on a SALT agreement, which is crucial to our country, and not let its accomplishment be prevented by unwarranted Soviet intrusions with their Cuban surrogates in Africa," Mr. Carter said.

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All together now, one step backwards

The Israeli Supreme Court's order to halt work on establishing a new Jewish settlement in the occupied West Bank is a novel twist in the history of Zionist colonialism in Palestine. We are, however, unconvinced of the Israeli Supreme Court's benign motives in ordering land clearing work temporarily halted at the site of the Gush Emunim settlement planned near the Palestinian village of Nabi Saleh, north of occupied Jerusalem. And we suggest to others that before they laud the Israeli Supreme Court's great humanitarian motives, they should keep in mind the standard Zionist tactics of taking one step backwards now in order to take three steps forward later.

Imagine the following scenario: The Supreme Court of Israel hears the arguments of the Gush Emunim settlers and, after some very dramatic soul searching, the court decides that, yes indeed, God gave the land to Abraham, and Israel today is the living personification of Abraham's cherished desire to send bulldozers all over the West Bank to clear land for new Jewish settlers. So the Supreme Court finally says that the Gush Emunim movement is fundamentally within its rights in establishing new settlements, but, to make things easier for those American congressional committees that have to meet every once in a while to review how Israel is spreading democracy and human rights throughout the Holy Land, the Supreme Court adds a clever legal condition: any new settlements have to be approved by the government of Israel.

So we shall probably end up in a situation where the Supreme Court of Israel has strengthened the Zionist movement to colonise Palestinian areas under Israeli occupation, and not, as initial events this week may lead some to believe, to weaken that movement.

WHAT'S GOING ON

Film festival

Saturday, May 27: Beginning of a 5-day European film festival. Today's film is "Bhakti" from Belgium. 8:30 p.m. at Basman Cinema.

Art exhibition

Continuing: An exhibition of lithographs and gouaches by Jean Miotte at the French Cultural Centre, Jabal Luweibdeh. The exhibition ends Wednesday, May 31.

Military exhibitions

Continuing: Displays of arms and war equipment in commemoration of Army Day. These outdoor displays are taking place in all major cities in Jordan and will continue till Friday, June 2.

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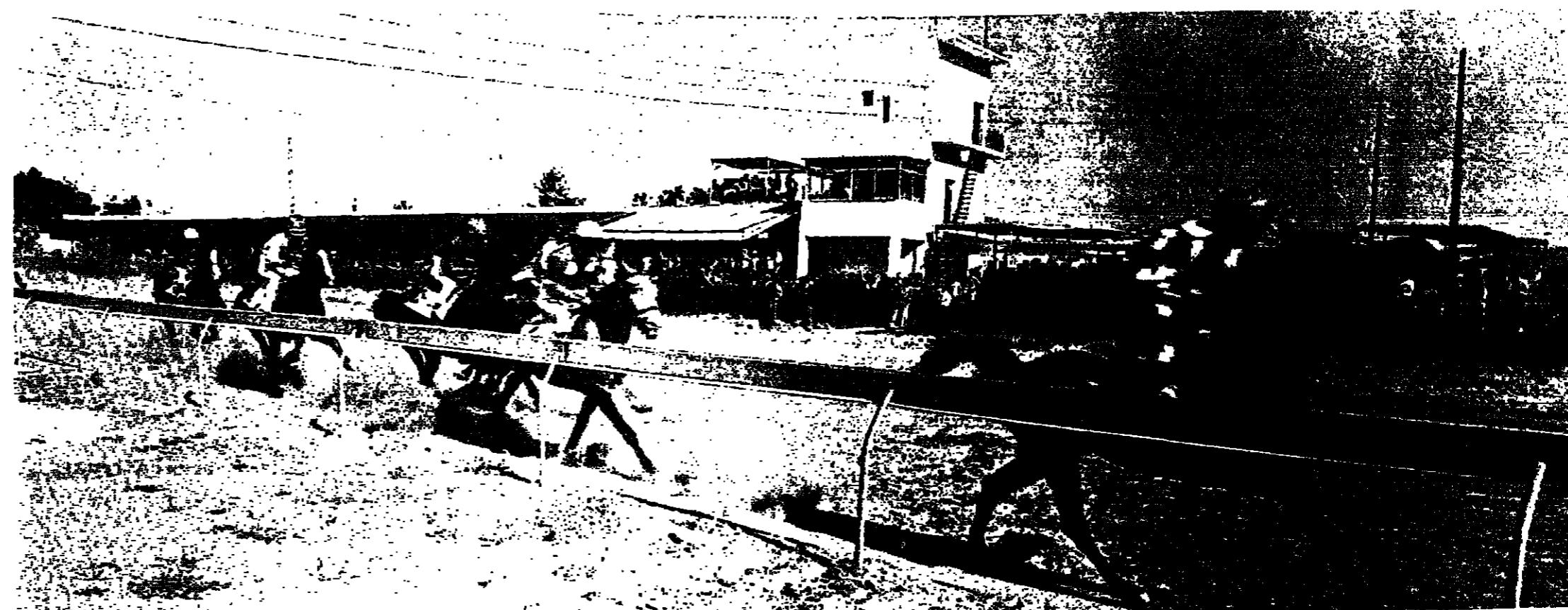
The University of Jordan offers a two-level programme in Arabic for non-Arabic speakers during the coming summer semester: Arabic for beginners for five hours (9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.), and advanced Arabic, for five hours (9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.) daily from Saturday to Thursday. The fees are JD 55 a semester.

Those interested could contact the registrar at his office from Saturday, June 17 till Wednesday, June 21 from 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Registrar General

A day at the races: The Marka Race Course gets off to a good start in the new season

Photos by Marianne Pearson
Special to the Jordan Times



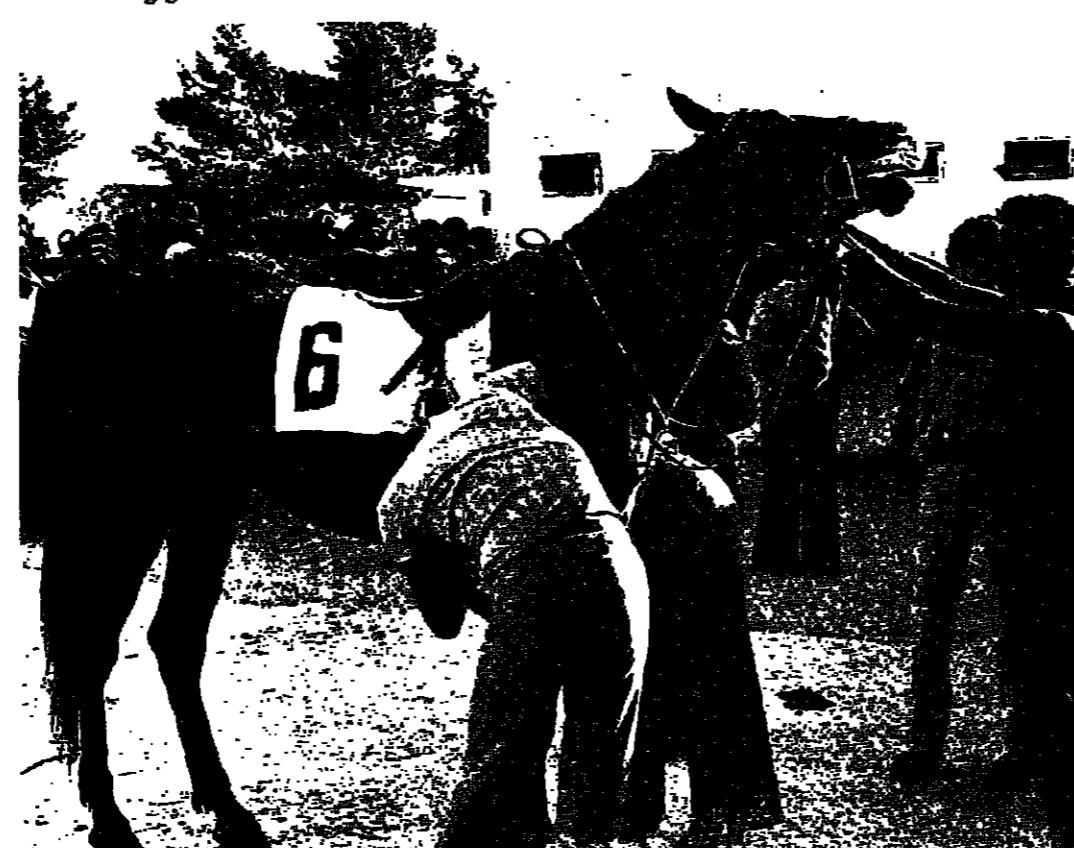
Officials conducting races at the Marka Race Course watch from the glassed-in portion of the tall white building. A jockey guilty of a misdemeanor will be fined. In case of a close race the senior official will give the order to the photo finish booth to make polaroid pictures of the first three horses crossing the finishing line. Above is the window for the photo-finish camera. On the adjacent rooftop is an open-air section for the press and for the jockeys, who are not permitted to mingle with the spectators.



Jockeys and everything that goes on the horse are weighed in before a race and weighed out afterwards. If there is a discrepancy, the jockey is disqualified. Here a jockey mounts at the paddock. He will show the horse before the stands and then enter the starting gate.



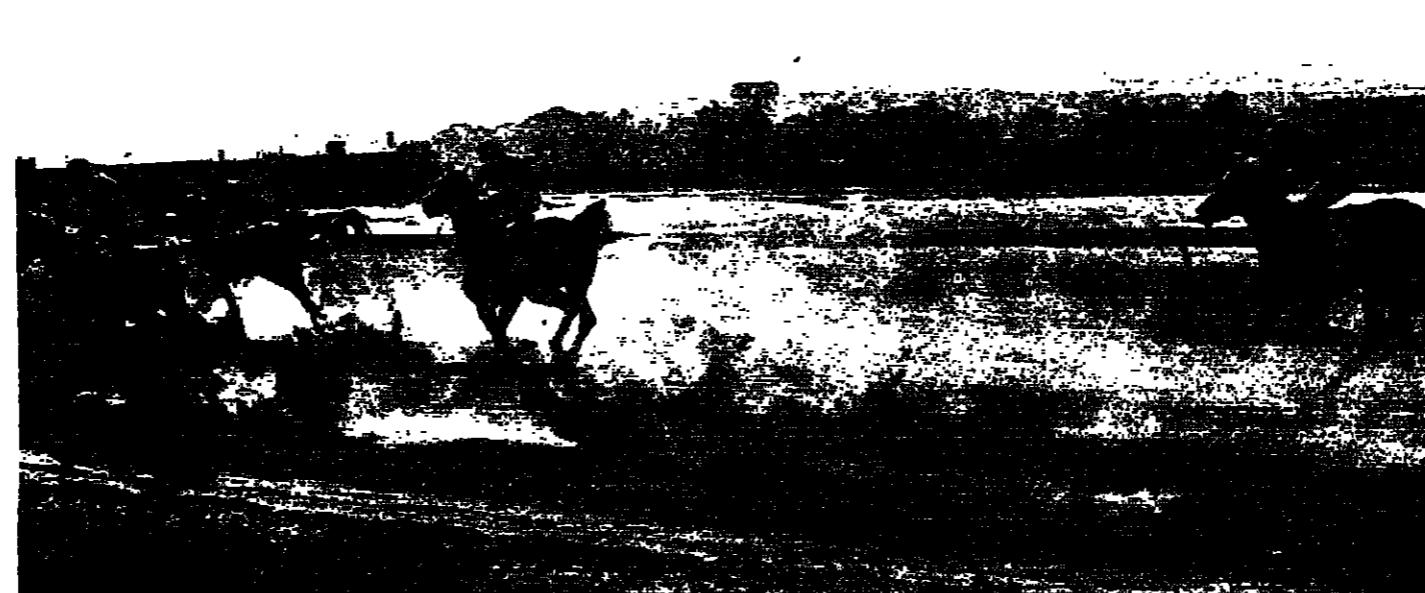
"Tote" refers to the whole betting system, a legal form of gambling. At Marka it is based on the French system. The minimum bet is 200 fils. The total amount bet is put into a pool with a percentage kept by the racing club to pay its considerable costs: it has a permanent staff of twelve and up to 100 people work on racing days.



In the saddling enclosure the number cloth is put on first and then the saddle and girth; accoutrements are kept as light as possible. Trained to do a job, race horses are often frisky and high-spirited.



Before the race, horses are brought to the saddling enclosure. Six races are run each Sunday, starting at 4:00 p.m., and ending about 6:30 p.m.



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Two scenes from the government's automatic bakery at Ras Al Ain which has been in operation since June 1977. Photo on the right shows a batch of hot puffy loaves pouring from the ovens which produce something like 5,000 such loaves an hour while the photo on the left shows the only remaining manual part of the whole operation: packing. Girls pack the bread into plastic bags and it is sent out to groceries and bread kiosks to provide Jordanians with their 'basic' food. (Photos by Marianne Pearson)



Latakia-Tartous highway, the latest in a series of USAID-financed projects in Syria

By Pat McDonnell
Special to the Jordan Times

DAMASCUS. — A team of American specialists was in Syria earlier this month to carry out feasibility studies on a proposed U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) financed highway linking the port cities of Latakia and Tartous.

The highway when constructed will serve a threefold purpose:

1. Move Syrian cargo to and from both ports;

2. Provide more efficient access to the port of Baniyas at a city midway between Latakia and Tartous where an oil refinery and cement factory are under construction; and

3. Enhance transit traffic on existing roads in the area.

The Latakia-Tartous road is one of three new highways planned by the Syrian government to originate in Latakia. Depending on its feasibility, USAID has expressed a willingness to finance the design and construction of the Latakia-Tartous highway.

USAID is, however, picking up the tab for feasibility studies for all three highways. Reports for the Latakia-Tartous highway should be completed by Aug. 1. Feasibility studies for the remaining two roads have a scheduled deadline of January 1979.

A USAID financed consulting team has been researching the economic and technical justification for constructing

the proposed highways since January of this year.

Initial questions range from the type of highway to be constructed to what type of traffic -- agricultural, industrial, transit, tourist -- will use the route, how many lanes are necessary to support traffic and where the best alignment will be.

Specialists are at work checking soils, carrying out environmental studies, compiling traffic counts, and determining the overall transport economy. Bridge engineers, cost estimators and even an archaeologist have been called in to contribute reports that will make up the preliminary design for the project.

Foreign exchange costs for the road are estimated at \$50 to \$60 million.

The Latakia-Tartous highway represents the latest in a series of projects financed by the USAID mission to Syria since relations were resumed by the two countries in 1974.

In February 1975, the initial package of U.S. economic assistance to Syria comprised a \$1 million programme to upgrade technical training of Syrian professionals in U.S. institutions; \$4 million in feasibility and technical studies; and \$20 million in agricultural and construction equipment for Syrian development efforts.

In June 1975, another \$10 million was allocated for additional agricultural and construction equipment and \$48 million was channelled into a

project with Etablissement Public des Eaux de FIGEH which is already supplying water to Damascus to upgrade and expand the municipal water system in Damascus.

In July 1976, USAID signed an agreement to finance construction of the \$46 million Damascus-Dera's highway.

Another \$17 million has been committed for an irrigation maintenance project at Raqqa in connection with agricultural development utilizing waters from the Euphrates and the reservoir behind the new Tabqa Dam.

USAID is also providing teachers for an English language training centre at the Syrian State Planning Institute. Six American English language specialists from Georgetown University in Washington, D.C. conduct four 11-week sessions each year.

This English language programme prepares Syrian government employees who will later go to the U.S. for advanced technical training. These include engineers, doctors, agriculturalists, tourism specialists and representatives of the petroleum industry. Since the first group left for the U.S. in December 1975, more than 200 Syrian officials have returned from training courses in the U.S.

As well as this USAID is also cooperating with the Syrian Ministry of Health in national health planning and in a project slated for late 1978 that will upgrade and expand training of laboratory technicians.

cians and public health workers in the Technical Health Institute.

In relation to the Damascus-Dera's highway, Gordon B. Ramsey, Director of USAID mission to Syria, explained:

"This is a new highway on a different alignment than the present road from Damascus to the Jordan border."

The Damascus-Dera's road project now is at the stage of contracting for a consulting engineer to supervise construction. Whereas the engineering and construction staff will be Americans, the subcontractors and labourers will be Syrians.

"A provision of USAID loans -- made on highly concessional terms -- is that they be implemented with American firms. U.S. services and commodities may be more expensive than those of some countries, but they also represent good American technology, dependency and know-how."

"Nonetheless, starting up a new programme in a foreign country and learning each other's procedures and methods of executing projects can be a delaying factor."

Through fiscal 1977, obligations of USAID funds to Syria amounted to \$258 million. An additional \$90 million is earmarked for fiscal year 1978 (ending Sept. 30) making a total of \$348 million since 1974.

The separately administered PL 480 Food for Peace Programme has signed agreements representing approximately \$75 million from 1974 to the present.

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Governor of N.S.W. here for three-day visit

AMMAN, May 26 (JT). — Governor of New South Wales Sir Arthur Roden Cutler is scheduled to arrive here tonight for a three day visit at the invitation of Crown Prince Hassan, Sir Roden, who was granted the Victoria Cross (Britain's highest military honour) for services in the Middle East during World War Two, will be accompanied by his wife, Lady Helen Cutler.

The visit is part of a movement towards greater cooperation between Jordan and Australia and comes as a result of Prince Hassan's visit to Australia last year.

Sir Roden has served the Australian government overseas for many years and has been the governor general of New South Wales since 1966.

Spanish military team arrives

AMMAN, May 26 (JNA). — A Spanish military delegation led by the president of the council of the joint military chiefs of staff arrived here today on a several day visit at the invitation of the commander in chief of the Jordanian armed forces

who, along with the Spanish ambassador in Jordan and other Spanish Embassy officials met the delegation at the airport tonight. During the visit, the delegation will meet a number of officials and will tour military institutions and army positions.

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Historic..romantic..ancient..Jordan could be a haven for the tourist

The following is a personal commentary by Mrs. NAJMA QUADER on touristic aspects of Jordan, and what she feels could be done to attract even more tourist trade than at present. The Jordan Times welcomes any such commentaries from its readers on any aspects of life in Jordan.

Twelve months have passed since I first came to Jordan. In that time I have watched with great interest the vigour and resolve with which the government and people have been trying to organise tourism here -- not only as a foreign exchange earner, but also I am sure with a view to projecting with pride the culture, beauty and history of this

while returning from a picnic with friends on the hills of Zai we happened to pass and stop at the tomb of prophet Yusha. Coming from a part of the world which pays great reverence to figures of Islamic history, and even beyond that to the men of God who lived earlier, I was indeed thrilled to have visited this grave. It is housed in a simple room, partitioned into two -- but what fascinated me was the unusual length (8-10 metres) of the grave itself. I have been told that many more resting places of prophets, and the companions of the prophet Mohammad are scattered all over Jordan. The Ashab Al Kahf or the cave of the seven men and the dog, well-known in both Biblical and Islamic accounts, also lies in the hills of Jordan. To many people such places could have a deeply emotional significance.

Though young as a political entity, Jordan's roots are embedded in religious antiquity. Its history is therefore, much richer than its geography and this fact awaits being made known to the world. The following is a personal commentary by Mrs. NAJMA QUADER on touristic aspects of Jordan, and what she feels could be done to attract even more tourist trade than at present. The Jordan Times welcomes any such commentaries from its readers on any aspects of life in Jordan.

It was by sheer chance that

much attention has been paid to deluxe and giant five-star hotels but these do not cater to the requirements of the ordinary tourist. He usually belongs to the lower or

middle income group, sometimes even spending his life's savings to make such a trip. He needs the reassuring comfort of a small, clean, respectable hotel where he can feel more at home and which will be suitable to his pocket. Paying guest accommodation with local families, for a visitor who is keen to learn about the way of life here, is another prospect which may be looked into. Rest houses in smaller towns or near tourist spots would be very popular with the tourist.

Souvenirs are a "must" item for a foreign visitor. He seeks locally made articles to carry back with him as gifts or tokens of pleasant memories. More shops, with traditional handicrafts would be a great attraction to tourist traffic.

Quite often one comes across a customer asking for wares he has perhaps read

about -- such as the woven rugs of Madaba -- and sees him going away disappointed. A country-wide search for stylized folk art and handicrafts, culminating in a national exhibition would, I am sure produce hitherto little known products and a useful insight into traditional skills. The patronage given by the government to cottage industries would promote and encourage the villager to supplement his livelihood with such occupations. This would perhaps, even though in a small measure, help to stem the influx of the rural population into the already crowded urban areas.

Information centres handling tourist traffic should be established at the airport in hotels and at key spots in cities and towns where one could readily get practical information, brochures and maps. These centres, manned by people speaking one or two foreign

languages, could organise excursions, arrange suitable accommodation, book air and bus reservations, rent cars, and even provide appropriate venues for international congresses or business meetings. Jordan's embassies abroad could step up their efforts to project the touristic highlights of Jordan, and provide answers to queries made by intending travellers to their country.

Cooperation and help from the national airlines and other carriers, travel agents, hoteliers and local businessmen would also greatly benefit the tourist trade. Discussions at occasional meetings, channelled into a national seminar could bring forth many valuable recommendations and findings. It will not be mere speculation to say that this country has great potential, if tourism is given its due priority in the development programme.

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8:30 Arabic varieties
8:45 Arabic programme

9:30 Quran
5:45 Cartoons
6:30 Follyfoot

6:30 Arabic programme

7:00 Documentary film

7:30 News in Hebrew

7:30 News in Arabic

8:00 News in Arabic

8:15 Justice

8:30 News in English

11:15 News in Arabic

RADIO JORDAN

7:00 Show

7:30 News Bulletin

14:10 Music

14:30 Story time

15:00 Concert Hour

16:00 News Headlines

16:00 Pop Session

17:00 Morning Show

17:30 Jordan Weekly

17:45 Melody time

17:50 Sign-off

17:50 News Summary

18:00 News Headlines

18:00 News Summary

18:30 Pop Session

18:30 News Summary

18:30 Pop Session

18:30 Sign-off

BBC RADIO

GMT

06:00 News; Press Review
06:15 About Britain

08:30 Saturday Special

12:15 Saturday Special

16:00 World News; Commemoration

17:30 Saturday Special

17:30 Sunday Summary; Saturday Special

17:45 Sports Round-up

18:00 News; News about Britain

18:15 News; News about Europe

18:30 Play of the Week

18:30 Big Band Sound

19:30 Command Performance

20:00 News; Commentary

20:15 People and Politics

20:30 Command Performance

21:00 Scotland Today

21:15 King's Singers

21:30 Letters from London

21:45 Writers

22:00 News; Music Now

22:40 Reflections

22:45 Sports Round-up

23:00 News; Commentary

23:15 Jazz for the Asking

23:30 Jazz for the Asking

23:45 News; News about America

23:55 News; News about America

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GENERAL TENDENCIES: The early of the day is excellent for gaining headway by thinking in terms of what you can do for others and expressing your unusual abilities. Be more understanding of family members.

RIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) Good day to be in the company of fine friends but don't be tempted into an argument. Allow time for favorite hobby.

AURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20) Follow the advice of a loyal friend for your advancement in your chosen career. A better way of gaining your aims.

EMINI (May 21 to June 21) Check your surroundings for make plans for improvement. Plan how to stretch finances by spending your money wisely.

JOON CHILDREN (June 22 to Jul. 21) Show more respect in your mate's welfare and come to a better understanding. Allow time for recreation; you enjoy.

EO (July 22 to Aug. 21) A good time to study current affairs and become better informed. Your plans to have greater abundance in the days ahead.

IRGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22) Accomplish as much as possible in the morning so you'll have time for recreation. Cut down on unnecessary expenses.

IBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) Study every angle before going ahead with a new project you have in mind. Do your best to please a loyal friend. Be logical.

CORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) Be sure to keep promises you have made to family members. Make the evening a party one in the company of congenials.

AGITARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) Visit persons who are in your vicinity and improve the relationships. Show your members how truly devoted you are to them.

APRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) Avoid a questionable on who could be detrimental to your best interests. See your home is in fine order.

QUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19) Begin the day early by entering activities that bring you closer to personal goals. Improve your health in some way.

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OPEC may be forced to replace dollar if decline continues, says Iranian premier

TEHRAN, Iran, May 26 (AP). — Prime Minister Jamshid Amouzegar says the world's major oil producing countries may be forced to find a substitute for the dollar to pay for oil if the value of the U.S. currency continues to decline. Unless the United States takes steps to reduce its budget deficit, he said, "the dollar is not going to recover and oil producers might have to peg oil prices to the World Bank's standard drawing rights," a composite world currency created by the International Monetary Fund.

Iran, the world's second largest oil-producer is a member of the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries, which decided earlier this month in Saudi Arabia to keep the dollar as the standard pricing currency.

In an interview with the Associated Press, Mr. Amouzegar said OPEC may begin raising oil prices annually beginning next year to encourage investment in alternative energy sources.

"It is better that each year a small percentage be added to the price of oil rather than freezing prices three or four years and then all of a sudden in the mid-1980s we will have to double and triple the price again," Mr. Amouzegar said, noting that when OPEC quadrupled oil prices the impact on the world economy was tremendous. OPEC's base price now is \$12.70 for a 42-gallon barrel.

Some OPEC countries have suggested creating a new unit of payment for oil based on a combination "basket" of currencies, but Mr. Amouzegar said "for the time being we maintain we should stick with the dollar because we believe the basic structure of the American economy is strong."

If the dollar continues to weaken, however, OPEC "might be forced" to dump the dollar in favour of another pricing system, he said. It might be difficult for OPEC to agree on a "currencies basket" because the producing nations have different trading partners and each would back the currency that most affected its imports.

The prime minister said Iran and other OPEC members have suffered because of the dollar's weakness but that ch-

anging to another currency system wouldn't necessarily solve the problem because the dollar would be one of the currencies in the "basket".

Saudi Arabia is the world's leading oil producer. Other OPEC members are Algeria, Iraq, Kuwait, Venezuela, Ecuador, Gabon, Indonesia, Libya, Nigeria, Qatar, and the United Arab Emirates.

On another subject, Mr. Amouzegar said international terrorists using "the cloak of

religion" are behind the anti-government riots that have caused 40 deaths and widespread destruction in Iran in the past five months.

The protests are led by orthodox Moslems opposed to Shah Mohammad Reza Pahlavi's policies of modernising Iran's Islamic society.

They are believed to have at least moral support of dissidents who demand a liberalisation of the Shah's one-party political system.

Agricultural officials endorse declaration calling for radical change in farm, rural development

OXFORD, England, May 26 (R). — Senior agricultural officials from 14 developing countries yesterday endorsed a declaration which called for a radical change in farm and rural development.

The officials, meeting near here in a personal capacity with the approval of their governments, stated that this change was needed if the world's rural population was to escape a tightening poverty trap and widening of the perilously small margin separating it from famine.

The document said that all too often traditional development and aid policies were so tilted against the fuller mobilisation of rural manpower and potential that the rural poor remain poor.

It said more than half the people of the world and ne-

arly three-quarters of the people in developing countries earned their livelihood from rural occupations. Millions had barely enough food to keep them alive and a sustained effort was needed so that the rural poor, through their own efforts, could earn basic necessities, the document added.

The participants included representatives of the World Bank, the United Nations and Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO) and the International Labour Office.

The conference, sponsored by the agricultural unit of the Overseas Development Institute, an independent British Trust which works to influence policy towards and within developing countries, was attended by officials from Costa Rica, Egypt, India, Indonesia, Jordan, Kenya, Malaysia, Nepal, Nigeria, Pakistan, Sierra Leone, Sri Lanka, Tanzania and Turkey.

and radically revise their strategy and tactics.

New technology was needed but it had to be controlled otherwise it could become "social dynamite".

"This pattern of technology is often unsuited to the mass of small farmers and labourers," it said, and often made them more dependent than independent.

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Ian Smith says he will retire before elections

CAPE TOWN, May 26 (R). — White Rhodesian Prime Minister Ian Smith said today he would retire from politics before one-man, one-vote elections leading to majority rule in his country.

This would not be easy, he added, but the government had "one or two ideas on corner cutting without impairing the efficiency and integrity of the operation." He did not elaborate on these ideas.

Mr. Smith is on holiday in South Africa. Yesterday he held two hours of talks with Prime Minister John Vorster.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE RATES

LONDON, (R). — Following are the buying and selling rates for leading world currencies against the dollar at the close of interbank trading on the London foreign exchange market last night. Tourist rates will differ from those quoted below.

One sterling ...	1.8120/30	U.S. dollars
One dollar ...	2.1190/1205	West German marks
	2.2700/10	Dutch guilders
	1.9490/9520	Swiss francs
	33.05/08	Belgian francs
	4.6580/90	French francs
	871.30/80	Italian lire
	225.80/226.00	Japanese yen
	4.6812/27	Swedish crowns
	5.7100/20	Danish crowns

LONDON MARKET REPORT

Prices were generally easier Friday but above the day's lows, reflecting political uncertainties created by news that the Labour government's pact with the Liberal Party is to end, dealers said.

Turnover was small because of end account factors and the long holiday weekend, they added. At 1500 the F.T. index was 3.3 at 474.2.

Government bonds showed net falls ranging to 3/8 point. Gold shares finished narrowly higher after a quiet session, while U.S. and Canadian issues mostly eased.

Price of gold closed in London Friday at \$179.45/oz.

THE BETTER HALF

By Barnes



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Both vulnerable. South deals.

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SOUTH ♠ 8 6

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♦ A 4

♦ A 10 7

The bidding:

South West North East

1 ♠ Pass 1 ♠ Pass

2 ♠ 4 ♠ Pass

Pass Pass

Opening lead: Six of ♠.

partner raise him to game.

West led a low diamond. When dummy came down the contract appeared so simple that the kibitzers were already looking for ways whereby Tommy could butcher it.

Dummy's eight of diamonds was allowed to win—it gave Tommy a trick he did not need. Tommy led a trump and the whole complexion of the hand changed when East discarded a club. Tommy inserted the seven, West won the ten and exited with a spade.

Declarer won the ace of spades, crossed to the ace of diamonds and led a low club. West grabbed the king taken by the king. Declarer came to his hand with a diamond ruff, cashed the ace of clubs and ruffed a club in dummy.

Now declarer had to guess which suit to ruff to return to his hand. Mindful of West's queen of diamonds on the last diamond trick, declarer elected to shorten himself by ruffing a spade. When West followed, the contract was home.

Tommy was left with the ace-jack-nine of trumps while West was down to the king-queen-three. Tommy simply exited with a low trump, and West was forced to end play himself. After winning the queen, he had to lead from his king-three into declarer's ace-jack tenace. Tommy had managed to hold his losers to two trumps and a club.



France proposes vast programme aimed at global disarmament

UNITED NATIONS, May 26 (R). — France yesterday urged all 35 nations from Europe and North America that attended the 1975 Helsinki Security Conference to meet again to work out plans for disarmament covering the vast region stretching from the Atlantic to the Urals.

President Valery Giscard d'Estaing, making the first appearance by a French head of state at the U.N. General Assembly on Disarmament, addressed the U.N. "disarmament is not exclusive to a few countries, but must instead become a concern for everyone."

He said the \$400 billion devoted to arms each year was as much as the national product of the whole of Latin America and twice as much as the whole of Africa.

Military spending was disproportionate to the other needs of mankind ... the \$1 billion daily devoted to armaments was as much as was spent on health care in the world.

Shift in policy

The French president's speech marked a major shift in French policy on disarmament, although his approach remained true to traditional Gaullist distaste for allowing the Russians and Americans to call the tune.

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the 140 member nations of the U.N. "disarmament is not exclusive to a few countries, but must instead become a concern for everyone."

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Surveillance

The French leader called on governments to exploit new technology to develop the use of observation satellites to monitor disarmament.

"The two biggest powers are the only ones that have this equipment right now. Other countries such as France will acquire it in the next five years. It will remain for a long time in the hands of a tiny minority."

"We feel it is time for the surveillance capabilities of these satellites to be made available to the international community."

France was therefore proposing studies on the creation of a satellite monitoring agency, Mr. Giscard d'Estaing said.

Supporting the creation of nuclear free zones like that set up in Latin America, Mr. Giscard d'Estaing said France would be willing to help in restricting conventional arms levels in such regions by adjusting its policy on sales of military equipment.

Mr. Giscard d'Estaing said a combined meeting of countries of a nuclear free region that wanted to set ceilings on conventional arms with the military supplier countries would be the best way to limit sales.

Carter attacks bureaucratic "iron triangle"

CHICAGO, May 26 (AP). — U.S. President Carter charged today that an "iron triangle" of vested interests in Washington threatens his efforts to reorganise the federal government.

Mr. Carter, who was flying from Chicago to Springfield to address a morning joint session of the Illinois State Legislature, said in his prepared text:

"There is in Washington an iron triangle of bureaucracy, congressional committees and well-organised special interests who can manipulate opposition to the reforms we need."

"When the great majority of our people would benefit from change ... such as civil service reform ... and only a small minority is opposed, it is often only the voice of the minority that is heard."

Asked about his own slump in the public opinion polls, Mr. Carter said "We tried to address the crucial issues of our nation without being fearful about political consequences ... I am concerned about it. I wish my popularity in the country were much higher."

China, Oman establish diplomatic relations

PEKING, May 26 (R). — China and Oman today announced they had agreed to establish diplomatic relations at ambassadorial level and exchange ambassadors.

It said the agreement was signed yesterday in London.

China now has diplomatic relations with 115 countries, according to the Foreign Ministry.

Mr. Kyriakou said yesterday nothing Mr. Vance told

Kyprianou rebuffs U.S. effort to revive Cyprus inter-communal talks

NEW YORK, May 26 (R). — Cyprus President Spyros Kyprianou yesterday rebuffed an American attempt to revive the Cyprus inter-communal talks and criticised the United States for trying to mislead world opinion over Turkish Cypriot proposals which he said were totally unacceptable.

He also criticised the Carter administration for publicly praising Mr. Denktash's statement this week clarifying Turkish Cypriot proposals introduced on April 13.

"Despite various efforts here and elsewhere to beautify (the proposals) by trying to mislead world public opinion that there are possibilities of improvement ... these proposals are not liable to improvement because the very basis of the proposals is unacceptable. It is partitionist. The very concept has to be abandoned," he said.

The April 13 proposals would effectively reduce Turkish control from 40 to about 36 per cent of Cyprus. Mr. Denktash's recent clarifying statement spoke of significant territorial adjustments.

Yesterday's round ends the first round of the administration's effort to revive the Cyprus talks, which have been held under U.N. auspices since 1975.

Round two

Round two will open in Washington next week, when both Greek Prime Minister Constantine Karamanlis and Turkish Premier Bulent Ecevit see President Carter during the NATO summit.

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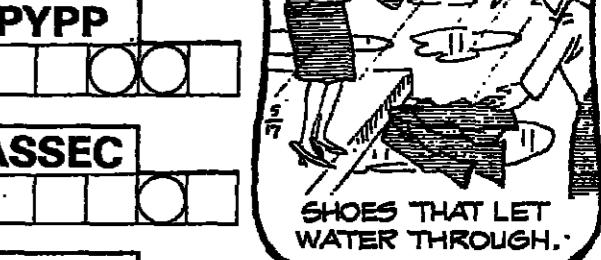
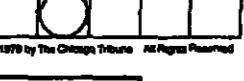
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Print answer here: (Answers tomorrow)

Yesterday's Jumbles: LEAVE SMACK IMPOSE ENJOIN
Answer: Why the phone book could be dangerous—IT NAMES NAMES!

THE Daily Crossword

by James Barnes

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1 A few	35 NY team	55 Jalbird	24 Gershwin et al.
8 Atomizer	37 "Black Cat"	59 Marquee	26 Twangy
15 Do surgery	author	60 notices	27 Plains dwelling
16 City in Libya	38 Incident	62 Forebode	28 Old Norse poems
17 Was generous	40 Land broker	64 Rendered invalid	30 Expecting the best
18 Told tales	42 Recent: comb. form	66 Overpowering	31 Not a soul
19 Peer Gynt's mother	43 Light shades	67 Building stone	32 Parched
20 Bergman of film	45 May or Stretch	68 Racetrack official	33 Tear
22 Bijoux	46 Tooth: comb. form	69 Intertwines	34 Revolving machine part
23 - de la Plata	48 School subject: abbr.		36 Abound
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			47 Ragged piece
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Solution of yesterday's puzzle

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